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In Re Application of:) Examiner: Julian W. Woo
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed November 15, 2007, please amend the aboveidentified application as set forth below. Changes are shown with deletions being designated by strike-through or double-brackets and insertion of new language being underlined.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.